

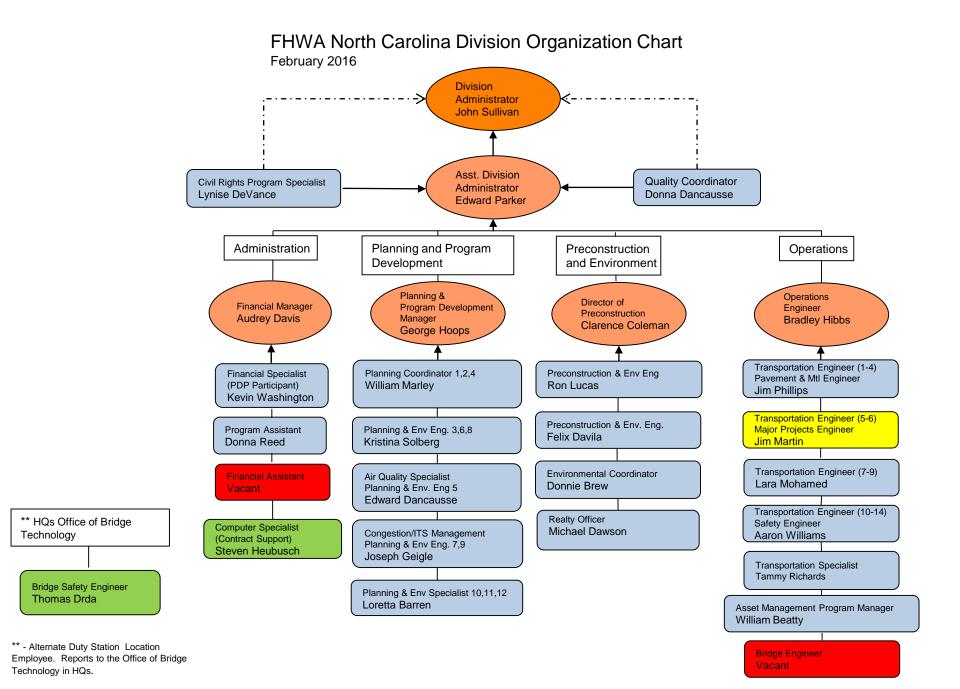
FHWA-NC Oversight of Federal-aid Projects and other Topics

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Quick Topics

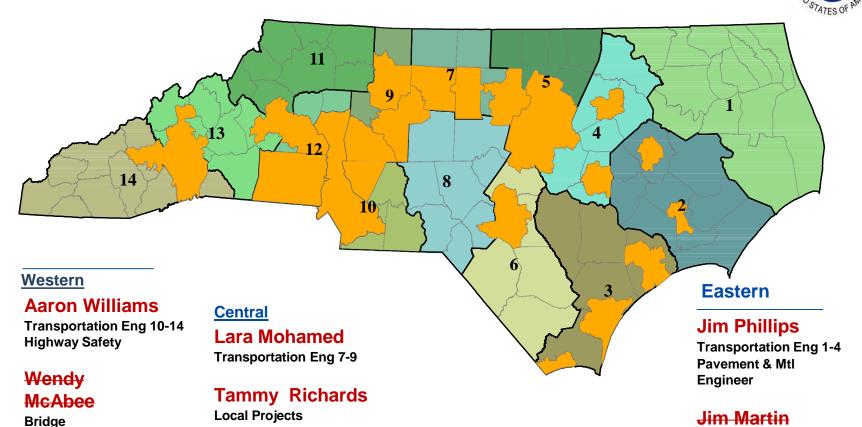
- FHWA-NC Division Current Staffing
- 2019 Performance Year Federal-aid Oversight Actions
- Emergency Relief for Hurricanes Florence and Michael
- FHWA Action on Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity Contracts





North Carolina Division, Federal Highway Administration Operations Team





Engineer

Will Beatty

Asset Management Emergency Relief

Transportation Eng 5-6
Major Projects Engineer

Risk Based Oversight for Federal-aid

- Goal: optimize the successful delivery of programs and projects that comply with Federal requirements
- Compliance Assessment Program (CAP) Reviews:
 Assess a statistically valid sample of projects to inform the
 FHWA, with an acceptable level of certainty, of the degree of
 compliance
- Project of Division Interest (PODI): Projects that have an elevated risk, contain elements of higher risk, or present a meaningful opportunity for FHWA involvement to enhance meeting program or project objectives
- Program and Process Reviews



2019 CAP Review for NCDOT

56 Randomly Selected Projects

Division 1: (1 project)

Division 2: (3 projects)

Division 3: (4 projects)

Division 4: (2 projects)

Division 5: (8 projects)

Division 6: (6 projects)

Division 7: (4 projects)

Division 8: (1 project)

Division 9: (4 projects)

Division 10: (8 projects)

Division 11: (2 projects)

Division 12: (2 projects)

Division 13: (8 projects)

Division 14: (2 projects)

Statewide: (1 project)

2019 CAP Review Core Questions

- Q1: Do project records document NCDOT verified the eligibility of the prime contractor
- Q2: Form FHWA-1273 present in subcontracts
- Q3: Bids publicly opened and announced
- Q4: Construction awarded by competitive bid
- Q5: Bidding documents free of a requirement for the contractor to obtain a license before submission of a bid or before the bid may be considered for award of a contract



2019 CAP Review Core Questions

- Q6: Standardized changed conditions contract clause for differing site conditions included verbatim in the contract
- Q7: Standardized changed conditions contract clause for suspension of work included verbatim in the contract
- Q8: Successful bidder file statement on collusion
- Q9: Non-collusion provision included in bid documents
- Q10: NEPA valid before authorization



2019 PODI and Program Reviews

- Current PODI Projects = 14
 - All projects on NC-12
 - TIGER/BUILD/INFRA Grant Projects
 - APD Projects
 - All Major Projects (+\$500 Million)
- Program Reviews: Utility Delays, ER Sites
- Federal-aid Project Development Procedure (future training)



Emergency Relief Funding: Florence (and Michael)

- Eligible Items
- Ineligible Items
- Emergency Repairs (first 30-days)
- Permanent Repairs (normal contract administration)
- Resilient Repairs vs. Betterments
- Repair site documentation
 - Wage Rates
 - State Representative or Inspector
 - Payment Documentation
 - Record Retention



FHWA Requirements for ID/IQ Contracting

- ID/IQ = Indefinite Delivery/ Indefinite Quantity
- From 2007 to the present, FHWA has allowed ID/IQ under Special Experimental Project No. 14 (SEP-14) authority
- Federal Register Notice and Request for Comments to operationalize ID/IQ contracts (May 2, 2018)
- Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (June 26, 2018)
- States no longer need to submit an SEP-14 work plan for "low-cost" competitively bid ID/IQ





Questions

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